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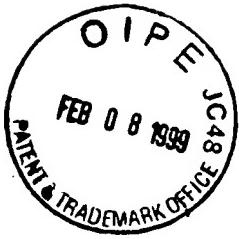
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Digital YUV Video Equalization and Gamma Correction

Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to video equalization and gamma correction in
5 computer systems and in particular to video equalization and gamma correction of digital
YUV video signals.

Background

Cathode ray tubes, CRTs, are made with electron guns which emit electrons that
10 are guided by electromagnetic fields to provide a picture on a screen. It has been long
known that CRTs do not produce a light intensity proportional to the input voltage
controlling the strength of the electron gun emissions. Instead, the intensity produced by
a CRT is proportional to the input voltage raised by a power of a value referred to as
gamma. The value of gamma varies depending on the CRT, but is typically close to 2.5.
15 Projecting an image that is not distorted in contrast therefore requires correcting the
intensity voltage provided to the electron guns of the CRT by a power of gamma.

Most sensors used in television cameras produce output voltages proportional to
image intensity. A correction for CRT gamma must be applied to the camera signal at
some point before the image is displayed on a CRT. Television standards include an
20 initial gamma correction of 0.45 applied in the television camera, to compensate for both
the CRT gamma of 2.5 and the apparent reduction in contrast when a TV is viewed
against the dim background typically found in a living room.

Many computer displays ignore the effects of CRT monitor or display gamma.
Digital video information is converted linearly into voltages that drive the CRT in the
25 display. The digital image intensity values in the frame buffer are therefore not
proportional to the resulting display intensity. For example, a digital value of one half the
maximum in the frame buffer will result in a displayed intensity less than one half
maximum display intensity.

Some displays include hardware lookup tables that correct for monitor gamma. In
30 these systems, digital RGB frame buffer values provided by the system are corrected for

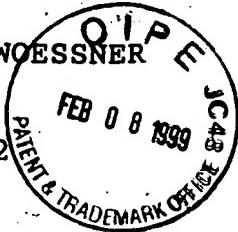
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